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This weekly electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on California Water Plan news. We welcome comments, suggestions and any news tips that may be of interest to water planners.

Draft Central Valley conservation strategy ready for public comment

Public comments are being accepted for the draft [Central Valley Flood System Conservation Strategy](#). The strategy is being developed as a component of the 2017 Central Valley Flood Protection Plan update. Details, including a [guide for reviewing the draft](#), are available on DWR's [Conservation Strategy](#) webpage.

Guidelines released for \$150 million in urban flood project funding

The [final guidelines](#) and [proposal solicitation package](#) have been released for \$150 million in funding under the [Urban Flood Risk Reduction Program](#). Eligible projects include repairing, rehabilitating, or replacing levees. The deadline for submitting proposals is Monday, March 9.

New issue of Climate News Digest offers links to articles from around the world

The latest edition of the [DWR Climate News Digest](#) has been posted with new items from around the world. It provides a compilation of links to articles and publications related to climate change and water management. Subscription information is available on the [digest's home page](#). It is published several times a year.

SWAMP review offers insight to 14 years of program history

After almost a year of study, a new report, [Review of the Surface Water Ambient Monitoring Program \(SWAMP\)](#), has been released. Representatives from State and federal agencies evaluated the work being done by SWAMP. The result is a list of recommended actions to improve the program's effectiveness. The report also highlights SWAMP's accomplishments during the past 14 years.



Bakersfield workshop will look at study on hydraulic fracturing in California

An independent study on hydraulic fracturing in California will be [discussed at a workshop](#) next week in Bakersfield. The California Council on Science and Technology [has been commissioned](#) to look at potential environmental issues and public health risks that could be related to hydraulic fracturing and other well stimulation treatments. The workshop is Tuesday, Feb. 3.

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WATER PLAN SPLASH

The Splash is a feature of the California Water Plan eNews to spotlight topics from Update 2013 and its Highlights booklet.

Consequences of Deferred Action: Droughts are inevitable in California, but drought impacts don't have to be. The [potential of delaying action](#) in dealing with these impacts is addressed in the Highlights booklet of [California Water Plan Update 2013](#). It details some of the state's assets that would be at risk if steps aren't taken to mitigate potential damage. Update 2013 has more information on dealing with these water concerns in the [Critical Challenges](#) section of Volume 1, Chapter 3, "[California Water Today](#)."